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Corps Extends Comment Period on Final Environmental Impact Statement for Kansas Highway 10 Bypass (South Lawrence Trafficway)

Kansas City, Mo. -- On January 6, 2003 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District (KCD) released a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) concerning a proposal by the Kansas Department of Transportation to construct a Kansas Highway 10 bypass (South Lawrence Trafficway) around the city of Lawrence, Kansas. A 30-day comment period for the FEIS began on January 17, 2003 and ended on February 17, 2003.

The Kansas City District has decided to accept comments on the FEIS for an additional two-week period (until March 3, 2003) since the comment period closed on a Federal holiday and since several interested parties have expressed concern that their comments may not have reached KCD prior to the close of the comment period. The Kansas City District believes that the additional two-week period will ensure that all interested parties have an opportunity to submit their comments.

Copies of the Final EIS are available for review at:

Lawrence Public Library, 707 Vermont Street, Lawrence, Kan.

Kansas University, Anshutz Library, reference desk, 1301 Hoch Auditoria Dr, Lawrence, Kan.

Baker University, Collins Library, 606 Eighth St, Baldwin

DeSoto Public Library, 33145 W. 83rd Street

Topeka and Shawnee County Public Library, CIS Department, 1515 S.W. 10th

Ave.

Johnson County Library, 9875 W. 87th St. Overland Park

Written comments can be mailed to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Kansas City District, CENWK-OD-R (RE: S.L.T.) Rm 706, 601 E. 12th St. Kansas City, MO 64106-2896.

For further information concerning this project, please contact the Public Affairs Office, Kansas City District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at (816) 983-3486.